

# HAMPTON, PHOEBUS AND OLD POINT.

## T. J. DIGGS IS DEAD

Was Unable to Walk a Step in 18 Years.

### JOVIAL DESPITE AFFLICTION

Heart Trouble Superinduced by Rheumatism was the Cause of His Death. Popular Citizen of Mathews County Many Years.

Mr. Thomas J. Diggs, aged 65 years, died in his residence in East Hampton, at 7:50 o'clock yesterday morning. Mr. Diggs had been a sufferer from rheumatism for eighteen years, during which time he had been unable to walk a step. Last Sunday morning he was stricken with heart trouble and the cause of his death was due to the latter disease.

### Cheerful in Affliction.

Mr. Diggs was born and spent most of his life in Mathews county, having come to Hampton to reside about five years ago. He was a man of jovial disposition and was much esteemed in Mathews county. He was a very large man.

Mr. Diggs is survived by his wife, two sons and two daughters. The children are, Misses Leslie and Nellie Diggs, and Messrs. R. H. Diggs and F. T. Diggs.

### The Funeral Arrangements.

The remains will be taken to Laban, Mathews county, on the early steamer this morning, and the funeral services will be conducted from Big Bethel church at that place at 1 o'clock this afternoon. The interment will be made in Pear Tree cemetery.

Miss Jennie Diggs, a sister of the deceased, resides in Norfolk, while another sister, Mrs. George Brownlow, lives in Mathews county.

### HANDLED MUCH MAIL.

Fort Monroe Office Did Immense Business During Past Week.

According to the statement of Postmaster John B. Kimbly, the postoffice at Fort Monroe has done an immense business during the past week. Mr. Kimbly says that the office was compelled to handle at least 10,000 packages, pages and letters daily while the warships were anchored in Hampton Roads awaiting the inspection by Admiral Dewey and Secretary Morton.

The mail of the ships is said to be enormous and when nineteen of the fighters are at one post, the clerks at the postoffice are given plenty of work to do.

### PERSONALS AND BRIEFS.

The Coming and Going of the People You Know.

Miss Collis Lackey has returned from a visit of several weeks to friends in Baltimore.

Miss Polly Mason, who has been visiting her brother, Mr. R. I. Mason, left last evening for Washington, where she will visit before returning to her home in Kentucky.

### Polk Miller, Entertainer.

Polk Miller and his "Old South Quartette" will be the attraction in the Pythian Castle hall this evening. Mr. Miller comes to Hampton under the auspices of Central Methodist church, and the advance sale of seats has been very gratifying.

The New York World, speaking of Mr. Miller, says:

"The St. Nicholas Society last evening celebrated the Dutch Easter festival, the Pans, with a dinner at the Waldorf. The president, Chauncey M. Depew, presiding. Polk Miller, of Richmond, entertained the society with a recital on 'The Old Virginia Plantation Negro.'"

### Her Fifth Birthday.

Little Miss Ellen V. Weston celebrated her fifth birthday Tuesday by giving her little friends a delightful party from 3 to 5 o'clock. Those present were: Misses Annie Conklin, Ruth Crockett, Mary Crockett, Dorothy Crockett, Evelyn Walker, Mervin Watson, Grace Cox, Louise Dixon, Margaret Smith, Vera Smith, Lucy Smith, Nellie Tignor, Jessie Miller, Vivian Parham, Nina Crockett, Gladys Gammel, Florida Gammel, Beniah Gammel, Florence Moger, Bertha Moger, and William Alexander Weston.

### N. S. Groome in Richmond.

Mr. Nelson S. Groome, cashier of the Bank of Hampton, will leave this morning for Richmond to attend a meeting of the executive committee of the Virginia Bankers' Association. At this meeting the time and place for the meeting of the association next year will be selected.

### Mrs. Kantrowitz's Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Unterberg, who were married in New York, and who have been spending their honeymoon in Florida, arrived in Hampton yesterday and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Kantrowitz, in Wine street.

### W. W. Woodward Back.

Mr. W. W. Woodward returned yesterday from a visit of several days in Middlesex county.

### Valuable Deed.

Crockett & Co., No. 5 Queen street, Hampton, Va., bought the county right for Elizabeth City county; he holds the deed. The box is patented by the U. S. government; you get a key with every dollar purchase; only one key will fit the lock. Feb. 14th last day, then you will have two weeks to try your keys in.

**ITS THE ROYAL WORCESTER CORSETS TODAY.**

To which we call your attention — BECAUSE they are THE BEST, is the reason we buy, recommend and sell it year in and year out, to our regular customers. Wear it once, wear it always. We have the quartette always in stock at

\$1.00  
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DOWAGER—\$2.50—DOWAGER.

The \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00 numbers in either short or Princess Hip, with supporters both sides and front.

The Dowager at \$2.50, to say it is built for stout figures thoroughly describes it, except to add it will outwear any other. Comfort is also an attractive feature.

**Steiner & Kaufman**  
"HAMPTON'S BEST STORE"

**PLOT TO "BEAR" COTTON.**

Alleged by Representative Johnson, Who Accuses Speculative Clique. (By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—During the debate on the army appropriation bill in the house today, Mr. Johnson (S. C.) made a short speech on the cotton question. He called attention to what he said was a systematic effort, unfortunately successful, to bear down the price of cotton, and asserted that there was no justification for such a brutal campaign of deception and misrepresentation. "I know," he said, "there are some kid-glove society in New York who would not know a cotton patch from a pea patch, who are undertaking to tell the world that the southern farmer can make cotton at 4 1/2 cents."

**He Would Punish Them.**

If he had the power he said he would have every man gambled in cotton on the New York cotton exchange, and who said that cotton can be produced at 4 1/2 cents, go down and with his own naked hands pull the bell cord of a mine and make cotton at that price.

Mr. Douglass (N. Y.) interjected the remark that most of the men speculating on the New York exchange were southern men, caused Mr. Johnson to declare that whether they were southern or not they were enemies of the southern people and good morals everywhere. The people of the south were holding cotton which they had no more idea of parting with at the present price than the owners of United States bonds had of selling them at 25 cents on the dollar.

**His Prediction.**

He predicted that before September 1, 1905, thousands of spindles in the United States and abroad would be idle because of their inability to get cotton to spin.

Mr. Johnson argued that it would be perfectly right for the Southern cotton growers to agree among themselves to a reduction of the cotton crop to the extent of fifty per cent.

Mr. Slayden (Texas) said that a curtailment of the cotton crop in this country would only encourage the greater production of it in other countries.

He warned the Southern members that they should not be deluded by the idea that the South possessed the only climate or soil which could produce cotton profitably.

**Architect Norman Paralyzed.**

(By Associated Press.)

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 11.—G. L. Norman, one of the best known architects of the South, is critically ill here as a result of a stroke of paralysis late last night. He has erected public buildings in many southern cities and is known among the profession throughout the country.

**Wagon Makers in Session.**

(By Associated Press.)

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 11.—The southeastern division of the National Wagon Manufacturers assembled here today with a large attendance. Most important among the decisions made today was one that the prices of wagons and manufactured articles shall not be increased.

**Money Free.**

A key with every dollar purchase. One key does the work.

CROCKETT & CO.

**Feb. 14th Last Day.**

Keys cost you nothing at CROCKETT & CO., (The Shoe and Hat Man).

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## WEEKS OF REVIVAL

Eloquent Divines to be Heard in Hampton.

### REV. A. C. HOPKINS TO CONDUCT

Services Will Begin in the Presbyterian Church Next Sunday Night and Will Continue Nearly a Month. The Program.

Revival services of more than usual interest will begin in the Hampton Presbyterian church Sunday night. The pastor, the Rev. A. C. Hopkins, Jr., will be assisted in the conduct of the services by the various ministers of Hampton.

Monday night—The Rev. Asa Driscoll, of Central Methodist church.

Tuesday night—The Rev. Dr. E. Pendleton Jones, of the Hampton Baptist church.

Wednesday night—The Rev. J. L. Rosser, of the West End Memorial Baptist church.

Thursday night—The Rev. R. H. Potts, of the First Methodist church.

Friday night—The Rev. Andrew Jackson Remforth, of the Christian church.

The services will begin each evening at 8 o'clock. During the week following the Rev. W. M. Hunter, of the Second Presbyterian church, will assist in the services.

### Health Officer's Annual Report.

Dr. John W. Brown, the health officer of Elizabeth City county, yesterday made public his annual report for the closing year. There were 326 deaths and 400 births for the year.

The features of general interest in the report follow:

Deaths for the year—57 white males and 58 white females; 108 colored males and 103 colored females.

Births—White males, 79; females, 90; colored males, 108; females, 123.

### Mrs. Burton to Address Ladies.

Mrs. Burton, state secretary of the Virginia Chapter of Kings Daughters, will address a meeting of ladies in St. John's parish house at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon. A new chapter of the order will be organized and every lady in Hampton, who may feel an interest or wish to join the chapter, is invited to hear Mrs. Burton.

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## Farmers

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Our 25 years of experience in fertilizers is valuable to you. Call and see us or write for prices.

**The J. W. ROWE CO. Inc.,**  
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**Valuable Suburban Home**

For the next few days I am in position to offer for sale at a very reasonable price a remarkable nice suburban home. The property contains one acre of land and has a frontage of 123 feet on Old Point avenue. The improvements consist of a nice 2-story nine room dwelling in perfect condition. Papered and painted throughout. Good cistern. Small fruits of all kinds, including grapes, etc. All necessary out buildings. Four nice poultry yards and houses.

Let us show you the property. We are sure you will be pleased with it. Terms, 1-2 cash.

\$5,000 to loan at 6 per cent in sums to suit.

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